

## Year Fifteen (October 1, 1996 - September 30, 1997)

**Enrollment:** 410,854 **acute** care members (176,579 TANF & TANF/MAO, 61,715 SSI & SSI/MAO, 21,126 MN/MI, 1,954 EAC/ELIC, 41 CMP, 106,763 SOBRA Children, 31,093 SOBRA Women, 1,576 Family Planning Services, 216 State Emergency Service, 4,170 Federal Emergency Service, and 5,621 QMB Only), 24,109 **ALTCS** members. 21,147 persons enrolled in **Healthcare Group**.

### **Program:**

#### **Acute Care**

- 13 Health Plans served AHCCCS members. During the year, three Health Plans were terminated:
  - \* Arizona Health Concept effective November 30 in Maricopa county. .
  - \* Regional AHCCCS Health Plan effective April 30 in Pinal County.
  - \* Intergroup Select Health Plan effective May 31 in Maricopa County.
- The *AHCCCS Member Survey Report* was published. This report summarizes the results of a telephone survey of over 14, 000 acute care members conducted in 1996.
- Effective September 1, applicants at DES may pre-select their Health Plan. Once categorical eligibility is determined, if no plan is selected, the member is auto-assigned to a Health Plan (eliminates 3 day FFS window). Auto-assigned members are notified that they have 10 days to request a plan change.
- Pursuant to federal Welfare Reform legislation, Arizona enacted eligibility legislation for qualified persons and undocumented persons.

#### **ALTCS**

- 8 Program Contractors Health Plans served ALTCS members.
- Effective July 21, instead of an annual PASARR, ALTCS members residing in a NF who have mental illness or mental retardation will be reviewed when the NF reports a significant change in physical/mental condition.

#### **Behavior Health**

- In July, ADHS took over temporary operation of ComCare, the Maricopa County RBHA because a behavioral health emergency was declared by the Governor.

### **Waivers:**

- In September, received informal HCFA approval on waiver request to extend AHCCCS through 9/30/98.
- Acting on a 1996 initiative passed by voters, submitted a request to HCFA in May to extend acute care Title XIX eligibility to low income adults & children with income up to 100% of the federal poverty level (FPL) and to implement a Medical Expense Deduction program for persons with unpaid medical bills. Responded to detailed HCFA questions on proposal in August.

<b>Financial</b>	<b><u>Source</u></b>	<b><u>FFY Expenditures</u></b>	<b><u>Percentage</u></b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	Federal	\$1,220,058,700	60
	State	576,193,700	29
	Other	<u>225,980,100</u>	<u>11</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,022,232,500</b>	<b>100</b>

Includes DSH payments and appropriations made to other State agencies.

### **Administration:**

- In March 1997, John Kelly is appointed AHCCCS Director.
- Number of FTEs = 1,111